

HOLD UP.

Fifty-Third Congress.

Two Minutes All the Bandits Needed to Loot the Train.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 19.—Train No. 3, the through express on the Kansas City, St. Joseph and Council Bluffs railway, was held up Thursday morning at 12:30 at Roy's Landing, one mile north of this city, in the same place that the Kohler gang met their Waterloo last September.

Just as the train approached the landing a man appeared on the track and signalled the train to stop. The engineer obeyed the signal and brought his train to a standstill. The train stopped just in time, for had it gone a few yards further, it would have run into a number of ties piled upon the track.

As soon as Engineer Edward Davis brought his train to a standstill two masked men clambered over the tender and at the muzzle of revolvers made the engineer and his fireman, E. Simmons, step down from the cab. In the meantime three of the bandits commenced firing to intimidate the passengers, who huddled close to the seats and hugged the floor of the train.

Two of the bandits clambered into the express car, and with leveled revolvers made Expressman C. E. Baxter open the safe and hand over the express packages contained in it. The men then backed out of the car and with a parting volley, took their leave. A spring wagon was hitched to a post by the roadside, and as soon as the bandits had transacted their business, they sprang into the wagon and drove off into the darkness.

Just as soon as the train came to a standstill and the bandits commenced firing, the passengers realized that they were being held up. The passengers, who were making things interesting for the bandits, were at work. The train was well-lit, and at the first shot, everybody began squeezing himself into as small a space as possible.

One man named Briggs, from St. Louis, had crouched down under a seat, putting his satchel and overcoat over his head for protection. His companion, who sat in the same seat with him, tried to get part of the satchel over his head, when Briggs yelled out: "Hold on there! I haven't enough for myself!"

Benjamin F. Hill, of the *Sedalia Gazette*, was a passenger on the train. He says: "When the train was signalled and began to stop, I recognized the locality and remarked to a fellow passenger: 'We will be held up in a few minutes.' Just then a perfect volley of shots were fired. All of the passengers in the car dropped to the floor and got as close to it as possible. It did not take the bandits five minutes to complete the work."

Expressman Baxter says he opened the door of his car in response to the engineer's request and was immediately covered by a double-barreled shotgun in the hands of one of the robbers. Two men then climbed into the car and covered Messenger Baxter and Baggettman W. A. Skinner with revolvers. Baxter was ordered to open the safe and the robbers took all the money packages in sight. He can give no estimate of the value of the booty, but believes it to be less than \$3,000.

REMARKABLE CASE.

An Insect Bites Its Way From a Boy's Stomach to His Heart and Kills Him.

Mexico, Ind., Jan. 19.—On January 9, Samuel, the 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lenox, of Hartford City, died at the home of Fremont Carmichael, of this city. After his death a remarkable discovery was made. For two months the little fellow had been suffering from pains in his stomach, which were at times so severe the physicians were compelled to administer morphine to relieve him. After his death a post mortem examination was held and it found that a small insect had eaten from his stomach, through his intestines, and then into his heart, bleeding him to death.

His parents say the boy was accustomed to drinking out of a spring near the house, and it is thought that in this manner he swallowed the insect. Many prominent physicians have investigated the case, and say it is the most remarkable on record.

ENLISTING FOR LIL.

C. W. H. Lanson Said to Be Raising an Army in Canada.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 19.—A report has been set afloat to the effect that an agent of the deposed Hawaiian queen has been in Canada for some time, securing a little army for Honolulu. It is said that 189 members of the northwest mounted police force have enlisted. It is further asserted that the recruiting officer of the queen is C. W. H. Lanson, a prominent business man of Vancouver. The alleged army will, according to the story, be in charge of Capt. M. C. Keen, ex-sergeant of the mounted police.

It is said that the Australian steamer *Warrimoo* bore to the Honolulu royalists, when it sailed Wednesday night, reports of the progress of the recruiting officer and an appeal for further instructions.

Doctor Came Just in Time.

ELKHART, Ind., Jan. 19.—Mrs. Chas. Wear, a well-known lady of this city, attempted suicide Thursday forenoon by taking laudanum. She was in a precarious condition when discovered, and her life was saved only by prompt medical attention. Trouble with her husband was the cause.

Referendum Resolutions.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 19.—Mr. Winn offered a referendum resolution in the house of representatives under which all acts of a general nature can be submitted to a vote of the people.

After Jack McAuliffe.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Young Mitchell, champion middle-weight of the Pacific coast, announced Thursday his willingness to meet Jack McAuliffe, who Wednesday issued a challenge to him for a limited number of rounds.

A LAW.

That May Knock the Governor of Florida Out.

An Appeal to Be Made to the Government Courts for an Injunction Restraining the State Militia From Interfering—Sports Gathering at Jacksonville.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 22.—The Duval club may have recourse to a United States law with a view to bringing off the fight in Jacksonville. An appeal will be made to the government courts for an injunction restraining the state militia from interfering with the fight. The club's attorneys have dug up a United States law which protects all enterprises that have been damaged to the amount of \$3,000.

As the club has sold more than \$3,000 worth of tickets, and the glove contest is legal under the city ordinance and legislative act, the United States law will, so Manager Bowden says, uphold the club and restrain the martial law proceedings of the government. All means of communication by rail to the milling point will be cut off from Jacksonville after the train leaves here.

The state has applied to the railroads for the transportation of 75 soldiers. How the governor proposes to move this meager army from Jacksonville to the Duval camp is a mystery that the club has not yet attempted to solve.

Here is the plan that the club has perfected, as it is given to me from a source that I have reason to believe is official.

The Florida Central railroad will furnish 100 cars, consisting of five trains of 20 cars each. Every spectator, even the club members, must present a ticket.

Entrance to each car will be made through one door, at which a keeper will be placed with instructions to admit only the holders of tickets. Prof. Gentry, after showing next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in St. Augustine, returns to Jacksonville and leaves Wednesday evening over the Florida Central & Peninsula railroad for the battle-ground.

Gentry can pitch his canvas and place his seats in four hours. President Mason told me Saturday that \$30,000 money will clear the club from loss.

At Mat Masterson's request the club agrees to leave the disposal of the \$30,000 check to John Kelly, the official referee.

If during the contest the authorities should appear and stop the fighters the disposition of the check will be left solely to the judgment of Kelly. This satisfied Masterson.

HE IS AFRAID.

Mitchell, It is Said, Fears to Serve Time in a Southern Jail.

The English Prize Fighter Professes to Feel Very Indignant at the Treatment Which He is Receiving at the Hands of the Duval Athletic Club.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 22.—The sensation of the day here is a report that Charley Mitchell is trying to evade a meeting with Corbett, as agreed upon. It is said that he has declined to accept the transportation provided for him from his quarters to the ring side, and that a serious complication is likely to arise out of it.

When asked about this at his cottage on Anastasia island Sunday night, Mitchell professed to feel very indignant at the treatment which he is receiving at the hands of the Duval Athletic club, and in proof of it exhibited the following letter:

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 22. Mr. Charles Mitchell, Anastasia Island, Fla.: DEAR SIR:—In answer to your telegram of even date I say that we had provided at our expense a sure plan by which you could have reached the battle ground in safety from arrest and interference, and you have rejected it. You will please report to this club, No. 63 West Bay street, on the morning of January 23, at 6 o'clock, your reply.

HARRY MASON, President D. A. C. "I don't know what Mason means by this," said Mitchell. "The club has never offered me any means of transportation, and my telegram was simply an inquiry about the club's arrangements. I have rejected no offer whatever, and I am ready to do anything in reason to meet Corbett in the ring."

There is a general belief, however, that Mitchell is trying to crawl out of the match.

It looked like a slim chance Sunday night for Corbett and Mitchell to come together. Indications are that Mitchell is going to back out even if the club succeeds in bringing the other combatant to a successful issue. The club has offered him all sorts of inducements and assurances that he will not be molested by law, but he seems afraid that he will have to serve time in one of the southern jails. He said Sunday that he was sick of signing articles and such things, and that he wanted the matter settled one way or another.

A. G. Hardgrave, state attorney for the fourth judicial district, which takes in six counties, including that in which Jacksonville is situated, has instructed the sheriffs of those six counties to carefully watch developments. The second battalion of state militia, about one hundred strong, will march to Jacksonville Tuesday and camp here until the contest is fought.

John Kelly visited Corbett Sunday to get his views on the twenty-thousand-dollar check. Kelly said he knew it was not worth anything with its present indented conditions. Corbett said that he had preferred allowing that the money be placed up, but he wanted Mitchell to make the fight, as he knew he would. Kelly will not see Mitchell Monday, and get his views on the check question.

The Duval Athletic club is spinning for wind. It wants to postpone putting up the actual cash until it sees how many big-looking producers Monday's train from the north will deposit in the hot Florida sands. Sunday's arrivals were extremely light. Sporting men who are here now, and those who are likely to come between now and Thursday, could not be made to give up \$20,000 to the Duval Athletic club at the point of a pistol. Hotel men who have subscribed to the stock of the club complain that the fight has not made the slightest difference in their business, and judging from the size of their bills, they are collecting their losses from the good game, the few who have come here and are willing to take their chance. Bowden, who dreamed of a fortune out of the affair, just now does not know if he is in or out of his pocket.

TO ENJOIN HIM.

The Knights of Labor After Corbett's Bond Issue.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The dispatch announcing a threatened injunction by the Knights of Labor against Secretary Corbett to restrain him from issuing \$50,000 bonds in bonds was taken to the treasury department and shown to the secretary. Mr. Corbett declined to say anything on the subject.

The feeling of the Knights of Labor and the labor unions generally on the bond question was known to be unfavorable, as has been shown by the passage of resolutions against it. The officials were a unit in the opinion that the secretary had nothing more than a temporary delay to fear from injunction proceedings, and even this they did not think in the least degree probable. The secretary consulted the attorney general, the law officer of the government, and the president before issuing the bond call.

The petition praying for an injunction to restrain the secretary from issuing bonds in the sum of \$50,000,000 or any other amount, Mr. Corbett says will be drawn at Des Moines by Judge Cole, will be sworn to by Mr. Sovereign and sent to Washington to be filed in the United States circuit court of the District of Columbia the first of next week.

CLEVELAND'S REVENGE.

New York Can Not Have the New Supreme Court Justice.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—President Cleveland has said that an appointment of an associate justice of the supreme court, for which William B. Hornblower, of New York, was named, and who was rejected by the senate, will not go to New York. It is further stated that Mr. Cleveland has taken the position that in view of the fact that Mr. Hornblower's rejection was due to the efforts of the New York senators, they should assume the responsibility for the failure of that state to receive the honor. The president, it is also said, will not lend any effort to the appointment of a member of the New York bench to the supreme court vacancy, by which Judge Maynard could be replaced on the bench of his state by the state machine.

On His Own.

FORTY-FIVE, Jan. 22.—An order has been issued by the Reading Coal Co. suspending 11 of its largest colliers for an indefinite period. Colliers of the other companies will also be suspended. Owing to the suspension of the colliers the transportation force on the Reading railroad will be greatly reduced, and the car shops at Palo Alto are to be shut down indefinitely, thus throwing 150 men out of work.

George W. Childs Wins.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—At midnight it was reported officially that the condition of George W. Childs had taken a turn for the worse. His temperature had risen and he had not rested well. Dr. Leidy will remain with the patient all night.

Turmoil by Rebels.

BREXES AYRES, Jan. 22.—The Brazilian government forces in Rio Grande do Sul have arrived at Santa Anna pursued by the rebels, who have made heavy levies upon the inhabitants, causing general discontent.

By Soldiers Killed.

BREXES AYRES, Jan. 22.—Advices from Rio Grande say that the insurgent warships continued the bombardment of the batteries at Niteroi on the night of the 19th and killed fifty of the government forces. The engagements had no decisive result.

HAWAIIANS.

Waiting for the United States Congress to Act—If the Annexation Scheme Falls a Republic Will Be Formed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—The steamer Monowai arrived from Sydney, Auckland, and Samoa via Honolulu late Friday afternoon. She brings full Hawaiian advice to the Associated Press nearly a week later than previous advices.

HONOLULU, Jan. 12.—Since the sailing of the last steamer political affairs have been very dull in Honolulu. The government has been pursuing a waiting policy on the ground that no definite action can be taken here until some definite policy regarding Hawaii has been announced by the United States.

A new constitution is all ready to be promulgated at the proper time. For some time past and prior to Mr. Thurston's visit the government has been working out a form of constitution for an independent Hawaiian republic, which is now substantially settled upon. Its form is like the constitutions of the states of the union, with president and vice-president and upper and lower houses of legislature.

For voters for members of the lower house, the chief qualification is the ability to read and write the English language, which will exclude most of the Japanese. In this house the native and half-white vote will greatly predominate. For the upper house will be required in voters a considerable educational and a property qualification, sufficient to secure the predominance of intelligent white citizens, who will also control the choice of the executive.

Certain special powers will be conferred upon the executive and the upper house acting in concert, which will enable them, when well agreed, to prevent obstruction of necessary legislation by the lower house. Under this constitution the native element will possess all the share in legislation it has ever possessed, while the royal and executive power will practically be transferred to the control of the more intelligent and capable white population.

The government will not proclaim this constitution until after learning from Minister Thurston that there is no present prospect of any form of political union with the United States. There is no doubt whatever that such a constitution will be heartily approved by the rank and file of the supporters of the provisional government, who will gladly forego some voting privileges in order to secure the result for which they have for a year faced so much danger together. To make the right of suffrage unlimited would be simply to throw away all they have worked for. No constitution in Hawaii has ever been submitted to a vote of the people, but simply proclaimed by the executive authority, which precedent is likely to be followed in the next similar case.

THE WORST IS OVER.
Business Is Picking Up and Better Times Are Coming, Says the New York Times.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Under the head of "Business Revivals in Sight," the *Times* Friday presented a summary of the trades which, it claims, shows that there has been a visible improvement in the business situation since the opening of the new year. It says: "Better times are at hand, and in many branches of trade their coming has already been noted. There has been, of course, no great and general revival of business activity. It would be foolish and futile to pretend that the trade and industries of the country have fully recovered from the depression that began last July."

"The steady accumulation of idle money in the New York banks would disprove any sweeping assertions of that nature. But the evidence is ample that the worst has passed, that we have turned the corner and are now on the mend. The rapidity of the recovery will be manifestly increased by the fact that there are no large stocks of goods on hand. The jobbers' shelves and manufacturers' floors are bare. The large number of mills that have lately started up indicate that orders have begun to come in, and, to fill orders, the mills make the goods."

An Ex-Editor's Terrible Experience.
MEXICO, Ind., Jan. 20.—During the recent small-pox epidemic, James Grassman was placed in the hospital as a supposed patient, but he did not have the disease, nor did he contract it. He, however, did contract a skin disease which gave him annoyance, and he brought suit against the city of Muncie for \$10,000 damages. Judge Monks, of Winchester, Friday decided that Grassman was not entitled to damages. The plaintiff is an ex-editor now residing in Cincinnati.

Indians Not Their Best Off.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The statement that extreme suffering exists among the Indians at the Pine Ridge agency is discredited at the bureau of Indian affairs. The officials ridicule the assertions that Indians are "dying off like sheep." If there is any extent of amount of suffering or a remarkably large death list, it is stated an official report on the subject would be sent to the bureau at once.

One Way to Do a Store.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 20.—An officer has arrived here from Albany with papers of extradition for A. Nathan, a wholesale clothier of this city, who was arrested some time ago charged with participating in a gigantic clothing swindle at Lansing, Mich. It is charged that Nathan, with others, opened a store at Lansing and ordered a great quantity of clothing. It was the old story of taking the goods in the front door and out of the back and shipping them to other cities. It is claimed that many thousands of dollars worth of clothing was thus stolen.

President of Wellesley Hill.

RECTOR, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Schaefer, the president of Wellesley college, is dangerously ill with pneumonia, and is unlikely to recover.

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